

Newsletter

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OPERATION SAFE KIDS:

Operation Safe Kids (OSK) is a program that provides increased monitoring and supervised community-based services to high-risk adjudicated youth.

Participants in OSK are assigned to a team of Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) Youth Workers and Department of Juvenile Services (DJS) Case Managers. Youth also receive weekly curfew checks from Operation Night Light, a unit made up of a Baltimore City Police Department (BCPD) police officer and a DJS Case Manager.

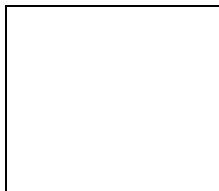
Join the OSK Parent Group!!

The Parent Group is an encouraging environment where parents of OSK participants come together to share stories, concerns, fears and successes. We will keep you posted on the next meeting date.



GET OUT AND VOTE!!!

It is election time and on November 2nd remember to get out and **VOTE!**
Voting is not a right it is an earned privilege!



ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Two OSK Youth have taken the General Education Exam!!!!

**OSK Youth Graduates from
Fresh Start Program
November 12, 2004**



NEW TEAM MEMBERS:

Welcome Fidelis Inyinbor, OSK Case Manager

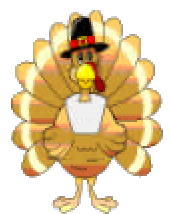
Fidelis Inyinbor has a Masters in Social Work from Howard University. Before joining Operation Safe Kids, Fidelis worked with the Cheo Group Home for 3 years and the Department of Social Services for 6 years! Please stop by and welcome Fidelis to our team!

Welcome Leyla Layman, OSK Analyst

Leyla moved to Baltimore in June from Atlanta Georgia. Before joining Operation Safe Kids, Leyla worked with Keane Incorporated. Please stop by and welcome Leyla to our team!

THANKSGIVING:

Thanksgiving is coming up!! It is a time to give thanks, celebrate and enjoy your blessings! OSK will be providing celebration baskets to some of the OSK families.



THE DEPRESSED CHILD:

American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

Not only adults become depressed. Children and teenagers also may have depression, which is a treatable illness. Depression is defined as an illness when the feelings of depression persist and interfere with a child or adolescent's ability to function.

About 5 percent of children and adolescents in the general population suffer from depression at any given point in time. Children under stress, who experience loss, or who have attentional, learning, conduct or anxiety disorders are at a higher risk for depression. Depression also tends to run in families.

The behavior of depressed children and teenagers may differ from the behavior of depressed adults. Child and adolescent psychiatrists advise parents to be aware of signs of depression in their youngsters.

For more information on depression contact the OSK Office.

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Find The Words:

Education * Goals* Safety* Strength* Mission* Inspiration* Determination* Future* Youth* Happiness

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S E U B N S G U I F J K D
S Q T W R T L Y J D A H I
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Riddles:

1. What driver doesn't have a license?
2. What has one foot on each side and one in the middle?
3. What did the guitar say to the rock star?
4. What did the mayonnaise say to the mustard?

Answers:

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1. A Screwdriver
 2. A Yard Stick
 3. Quit picking on me!
 4. Close the door, I'm dressing!!!